

Remarks

Applicants request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

The Office action dated November 26, 2008, stated that claims 9-10, 29-30, 39-40 and 48 were allowable over the prior art. Applicants therefore have amended claim 18 to depend from claim 9, amended claim 31 to depend from claim 29, and amended claim 41 to depend from claim 39. Amended claims 18, 31, and 41 therefore include the features of the allowable claims. Applicants have canceled the remaining claims without prejudice and reserve the right to file continuing applications to continue pursuing patent protection for the subject matter of these canceled claims.

Accordingly, the present application is in condition for allowance, and such action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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